

Appl. No. 10/718,880 Amdt. dated August 18, 2004 Reply to Office action of May 18, 2004 Attorney Docket No. 1481/US/2 Express Mail No. EV 447 214 906 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of

Inventor: Guoqiang MAO et al. Confirmation No.: 1472

Application No.: 10/718,880 Examiner: Erma C. Cameron

Filed: November 21, 2003 Group Art Unit: 1762

Title: FUNCTIONAL SURFACE COATING

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office action of May 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.